

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
LYNCHBURG DIVISION**

**CRIMINAL MINUTES – JURY TRIAL  
Day 4**

**Case No.: 6:21CR00001-004, -005**

**Date: September 1, 2022**

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**Defendants:**

**Charay Lamont Trent (Bond) -004  
Ricky Donnell Abner (Custody) -005**

**Counsel:**

**Neil A. Horn (CJA)  
Paul G. Beers (CJA)**

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TIME IN COURT: 9:31 – 10:48; 11:05 – 12:35; 1:39 – 3:43; 4:01 – 5:09  
(Total Time: 5 hours, 59 minutes)

PRESENT:	JUDGE:	Hon. Norman K. Moon
	Deputy Clerk:	Carmen Amos
	Court Reporter:	Judy Webb
	U. S. Attorney:	Sean M. Welsh & Ronald M. Huber
	USPO:	Sean Sweeney (via courtroom audio)
	Case Agent:	Daniel Bailey, DEA/TFO
	Interpreter:	N/A

LIST OF WITNESSES

GOVERNMENT	DEFENDANT
1. Special Agent George Ott, DEA 2. Daniel Bailey, DEA/TFO	1. Roan Caldwell

**PROCEEDINGS:**

All parties present to continue the trial in this matter.

- ☐ Preliminary remarks and instructions to jury by Court.
- ☐ Joint oral Motion to Exclude Witnesses from Courtroom. Court grants motion.
- ☐ Opening Statements by counsel.
- ☒ Government continues presentation of evidence.
- ☒ Government rests at 2:12 p.m.
- ☒ Defendants make Motions for Judgment of Acquittal.  
Court ☐ grants ☒ denies ☐ takes under advisement.
- ☒ Defendant Trent presents evidence. No evidence presented by Defendant Abner.
- ☒ Defendants rest at 2:32 p.m.
- ☒ Defendants renew Motions for Judgment of Acquittal.  
Court ☐ grants ☒ denies ☐ takes under advisement.

- ☐ Rebuttal evidence.
- ☐ Surrebuttal evidence.
- ☐ Closing Arguments.
- ☒ Jury Instructions given to Jury.
- ☒ Objections to Jury Instructions by U.S.A and Defendants as stated on the record.
- ☐ Jury retires to deliberate at Time retired.
- ☐ Jury returns at Time returned.
- ☐ Jury Verdict: Verdict?
  - ☐ Jury polled. ☐ Polling waived.
  - ☐ Mistrial declared. ☐ Jury discharged.
- ☐ Motions after verdict:
- ☐ Sentencing set for \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Sentencing to be set by Clerk.
- ☐ Court orders Presentence Report.
- ☒ Defendant Ricky Abner remanded to custody.
- ☒ Defendant Charay Trent to remain on bond.

Additional Information:

Court stands in recess at 5:09 p.m. Court will reconvene tomorrow at 9:30 a.m.